

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
STATESVILLE DIVISION
CRIMINAL DOCKET NO.: 5:04CR18**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

GERROD MICKELL SHUFORD (6),

Defendant.


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ORDER

THIS MATTER is before the Court on Defendant's Motion for Judgment of Acquittal, orally made by Defendant's attorney at the close of evidence on September 23, 2005. Having heard all of the evidence at trial and taking such evidence in the light most favorable to the Government, the Court finds that Defendant is not entitled to a judgment of acquittal.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Defendant's Motion for Judgment of Acquittal is hereby **DENIED**.

Signed: October 14, 2005

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Richard L. Voorhees". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the text.

Richard L. Voorhees
United States District Judge

